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Environmental Quality HUNTING AND FISHING REGULATION

History. This regulation revises USAIC Regulation 200-3 and incorporates information previously contained in USAIC Circular 200-3, Hunting Season and Bag Limits, which expired 14 August 2003. In 2001 USAIC Regulation 200-3 replaced USAIC Regulation 210-2, Hunting and Fishing Regulation, and was renumbered from the 210 series to the 200 series in order to comply with Department of the Army new policy regarding environmental matters. USAIC Regulation 210-2 was first published in December 1975.

Summary. This regulation outlines policies and procedures governing hunting and fishing at the United States Army Infantry Center (USAIC), Fort Benning, Georgia. Its scope includes other recreational activities such as off-road vehicles, camping, and boating.

Applicability. This regulation applies to all individuals that are permitted to hunt, fish, and partake in outdoor recreational activities on the installation.

Proponent and Exception Authority. The proponent of this regulation is the Director of Facilities Engineering and Logistics (DFEL). Only the Chief of Staff, USAIC, may approve changes to this regulation. This regulation is reviewed and recommendations for changes are made annually by the Commanding General's Advisory Council on Natural Resources (CGACNR).

Suggested improvements. Users are invited to send comments and suggested improvements on a DA Form 2028 (Recommended Changes to Publications and Blank Forms) or a written letter through channels to the Commander, United States Army Infantry Center, ATTN: ATZB-ELN-C/Chief, Conservation Branch, Environmental Division, DFEL, Fort Benning, Georgia 31905-5122. Comments and suggested improvements may also be sent via email to swiderekp@benning.army.mil

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^{*}This regulation supersedes USAIC Regulation 200-3, 11 October 2001. This regulation supersedes FB (DFEL) Form 200-3-1, and rescinds FB (DFEL) Form 200-3-2.

Chapter 1 - Introduction

1-1. Purpose.

This regulation sets forth policies and procedures that govern hunting, fishing, and other recreational activities such as off-road vehicles, camping, and boating. It also provides hunting seasons and bag limits on the Alabama and Georgia sides of the Fort Benning Reservation.

1-2. References.

Required and related publications and prescribed and referenced form are located in appendix A.

1-3. General.

The intent of the Commanding General, United States Army Infantry Center, is to maximize hunting and fishing opportunities on the installation consistent with mission requirements, sound environmental and natural resources management practices, and the Cooperative Agreement between Fort Benning, the States of Alabama and Georgia and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service. Fort Benning's primary mission is to train soldiers. Outdoors recreation and the harvest of fish and wildlife resources will be permitted only if consistent with the military mission and no safety hazard is created.

Chapter 2 - Responsibilities

2-1. Director of Facilities Engineering and Logistics (DFEL).

- a. Manages fish and wildlife resources consistent with governing laws, regulations, and the Cooperative Agreement.
- b. Develops policies and determines the direction of the wildlife program.
- c. The Chief, Environmental Management Division (EMD), DFEL, coordinates the funding and implementation of the wildlife program.
- d. The Chief, Conservation Branch (CB), EMD, DFEL, supervises and manages the wildlife program, and is the proponent for this regulation.
- e. Maintains a map case at Building 5883, Harmony Church. Posts Hunting and Fishing Information Sheets at that location prior to 1000 daily for up to three days in the future.

2-2. G-3/Director of Training(DOT).

- a. Maximizes opportunities for hunting and fishing consistent with training and safety requirements.
- b. Range Division prepares and distributes the Daily Hunting and Fishing Information Sheets prior to 0900 indicating the areas open for a one-day period three days in the future.

2-3. Director of Community Activities (DCA).

- a. Operates the Permit Issuing Agencies at the Outdoor Recreation Office and Uchee Creek Army Campground and Marina.
- b. Ensures that only those individuals entitled to hunt and fish on the installation are issued permits.
- c. Maintains map cases at the Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1707, and Uchee Creek Army Campground and Marina. Posts Hunting and Fishing Information Sheets at those locations prior to 1000 daily for up to three days in the future.
- d. Ensures that updated 1:50,000-scale Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Overlay Maps are available for review or purchase upon request.

2-4. Commander, Military Police Activity (MPA).

- a. Enforces the provisions of this regulation.
- b. Reports violations of this regulation to the Permit Issuing Agency and Staff Judge Advocate (SJA) Military Hearing Officer.
- c. Maintains records of sportsmen involved in hunting and fishing violations.
- d. Maintains Hunting and Fishing Overlay Map cases at the MPA and Malone 21. Posts Hunting and Fishing Information Sheets

at those locations prior to 1000 daily for up to three days in the future.

2-5. Staff Judge Advocate (SJA).

Provides a Hearing Officer to conduct administrative appeals of suspensions/revocations of hunting and fishing privileges to the extent that resources permit.

2-6. Commander, 3D Brigade, 3D Infantry Division.

Maintains a map case at the Kelly Hill Recreation Center, Building 9079. Posts Hunting and Fishing Information Sheets prior to 1000 daily for up to three days in the future.

2-7. Commanding General's Advisory Council on Natural Resources (CGACNR).

- a. Receives comments, suggestions, and concerns from soldiers and other personnel authorized to hunt and fish on Fort Benning and represents their interests to improve hunting and fishing.
- b. Provides advice on the management of hunting and fishing on Fort Benning. Makes recommendations to improve hunting and fishing to the Chief, Conservation Branch; Chief, Environmental Management Division; Director of Facilities, Engineering, and Logistics; the Garrison Commander; the USAIC Chief of Staff; and the Commanding General, as appropriate.
- c. Maximizes the opportunities for hunting and fishing on Fort Benning consistent with training requirements, safety, and governing laws, regulations, and the Cooperative Agreement.
- d. Annually reviews and provides the Chief, Conservation Branch, with proposed changes to USAIC Regulation 200-3, Hunting and Fishing Regulation.

2-8. Sportsmen.

- a. Stay knowledgeable and current with and follow all rules and regulations concerning weapons and hunting and fishing on the installation.
- b. Report hunting and fishing violations to the Military Police Desk (545-5222).
- c. Recommend changes to the appropriate authorities to improve the management of hunting and fishing on Fort Benning.

Chapter 3 - Restrictions

3-1. General.

- a. Hunting is prohibited in the Fort Benning cantonment areas as shown on the 1:50,000-scale Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Overlay Map. This map is used to control hunting and fishing activities and is updated periodically. All sportsmen are required to familiarize themselves with the current map and the reservation prior to hunting or fishing. No roadblocks, cables or gates will be bypassed by vehicle for any reason, although gates may be bypassed on foot if the gated or otherwise blocked area is open for hunting.
- b. All hunters must adhere to the policies contained in USAIC Regulation 210-5 related to the possession, registration, transport, use, and discharge of firearms (see paragraph 5-6 below).
- c. Hunting and fishing is prohibited in posted dud areas and in those ranges and facilities posted "restricted" or "exclusion area" for safety reasons.
- d. All vehicles are subject to search by game wardens, military police, and other authorized personnel upon entering, occupying, or exiting hunting areas, fishing areas, training areas, and all other areas on the installation.
 - e. Littering or dumping on Fort Benning is strictly prohibited.

3-2. Personnel authorized to hunt and fish on Fort Benning.

- a. Only those personnel falling within the following categories will be authorized to hunt and fish on Fort Benning:
 - (1) United States Armed Forces active duty personnel.
 - (2) United States Armed Forces retired personnel.

- (3) Disabled American Veterans having a service connected disability of not less than 30 percent and Medal of Honor recipients.
- (4) Department of Defense Civilian Employees (appropriated and non-appropriated fund) working full-time or equivalent status regardless of where they work.
- (5) Retired Department of Defense Civilian Employees regardless of where they worked.
- (6) Federal Civilian Employees working full-time or equivalent status on Fort Benning to include, but not limited to, U.S. Postal Service, U.S. Customs Service, and U.S. Army Engineer District, Savannah.
- (7) Retired Federal Civilian Employees (same as paragraphs 3-2a (6) above) who were employed at this installation immediately prior to retirement.
- (8) Active National Guardsmen and Reservists who are in a paid drill strength status regardless of where they are assigned.
- (9) Surviving spouses of military personnel who have not remarried and possess a valid dependent ID card.
 - (10) Allied officers assigned to Fort Benning.
- (11) Primary dependents of sponsors listed in paragraphs 3-2a (1)-(10) above. A primary dependent is defined as a lawful spouse or an unmarried child who is less than 21 years old or less than 23 years old if enrolled in a full-time course of education above high school level and receives over half of his/her support from the sponsor.

(12) Guests:

- (a) The Commanding General and Chief of Staff may authorize personnel other than those listed in paragraphs 3-2.a. (1)-(11) above to hunt and fish on Fort Benning.
- (b) All personnel identified by paragraphs 3-2a(1)-(11) above and that are age 18 years and above are authorized to sponsor up to a maximum of three guests per day to hunt and fish on Fort Benning.

Note: While there are numerous contractors located both on and off the installation providing support and services to Fort Benning, contractors are not authorized to hunt or fish on the installation unless they are sponsored and obtain a Fort Benning Guest Permit (FB Form 200-3-1).

- b. The following documents must be presented to prove an individual's eligibility to hunt and fish on Fort Benning:
- (1) Active duty and retired United States Armed Forces personnel Military ID Card.
- (2) Disabled Veterans Medical ID Card or DA Certificate of Disability indicating a service-connected disability of not less than 30 percent.
- (3) Medal of Honor Recipients Copy of orders awarding medal and photo identification.
- (4) Department of Defense Civilian employees (appropriated and non-appropriated fund) DoD Civilian ID Card, current Leave and Earnings Statement, and photo identification.
- (5) Federal Civilian Employees (other than DoD Civilian Employees) employed full-time on Fort Benning Photo identification, current Leave and Earnings Statement and memorandum from supervisor stating that the individual is employed full-time on Fort Benning and will remain in that status for the duration of season involved.
- (6) Retired Federal Employees A copy of the last Standard Form 50 indicating retired status or Retirement Certificate issued by Fort Benning and photo identification.
- (7) Active National Guard or Reserve Personnel Current Leave and Earnings Statement which shows active status and Military ID Card.
- (8) Primary dependents 16-17 years of age Dependent ID Card and a written permission statement from the sponsor to obtain permits and licenses.
- (9) Primary dependents 18 years old and older Dependent ID Card.
- (10) Primary dependents 21 years old or less than 23 years old enrolled in a full-time course of education above high

- school level and receiving over half their support from their sponsor Dependent ID Card and a current year student ID card or a signed memorandum from the school's registrar's office stating that the individual is a full-time student.
- (11) Allied officers assigned to Fort Benning Military ID card and orders assigning the individual to Fort Benning.
- (12) Before obtaining a permit, all personnel must show a valid hunting and fishing license, and appropriate hunter safety card. All persons born on or after 1 Jan 1961 must show evidence of successful completion of a hunter safety course to obtain a permit whether hunting or fishing on the Georgia or Alabama side of the installation
- (13) Guests. To obtain a Guest Permit (FB Form 200-3-1), the sponsor must be able to show that the guest has the appropriate state license and the appropriate state hunter safety card or a Fort Benning Hunter Safety Course Card (FB (SD) Form 18).
- c. Requests for exceptions to this policy will be handled on a case-by-case basis and should be directed in writing, to the Commander, U.S. Army Infantry Center, ATTN: ATZB-ELN-C, (Chief, Conservation Branch) Fort Benning, GA 31905-5000 (545-7319).

3-3. Use of privately owned vehicles when hunting or fishing.

- a. In accordance with AR 190-5 and USAIC Regulation 190-5, all privately owned vehicles used for hunting and fishing on the Fort Benning Military Reservation shall have a properly affixed DoD Registration Decal or Temporary Vehicle Permit (FB (MPA) Form 66). Vehicle decals and permits can be obtained at the Vehicle/Weapons Registration office (545-1195), Building 2637, Monday through Friday, 0800–1700. If an individual is going to be using a vehicle which does not have a DoD registration decal, a Temporary Vehicle Permit must be obtained from the Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1707 or the Country Store, Uchee Creek Army Campground and Marina. The Temporary Vehicle Permit must be displayed on the dashboard of the vehicle while on the installation.
- b. Off-road vehicles (ORV) of any type (two, three or fourwheel) are prohibited while hunting or fishing on Fort Benning. Requests for exception to this policy must be submitted along with documentation of a medical disability to the Chief, Conservation Branch as stated in paragraph 3-2c above.

3-4. Areas, boundaries, and access restrictions for hunting and fishing.

- a. The land on Fort Benning has been divided into a number of designated areas. These areas are shown on the 1:50,000-scale Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Overlay Map that is posted at various locations throughout the installation and can be purchased at the Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1707, or at the Country Store, Uchee Creek Army Campground and Marina. Copies of the Overlay Map will be posted in accordance with paragraphs 3-4f below. It is the individual's responsibility to become familiar with this map, the daily Hunting and Fishing Information Sheets, and to check them prior to hunting or fishing. The Hunting and Fishing Overlay Map is updated periodically and sportsmen must check with the Outdoor Recreation offices to obtain the most current map.
- b. Areas will be designated as either "open" or "closed" for recreational use. Hunters may check to see which areas are open by checking the Hunting and Fishing Information Sheets posted on the map boards at various locations around the installation or online at www.benning.army.mil/EMD/Hunting/AREAS.htm.
- c. No sentries, road guards, roadblocks, cables or closed and locked gates will be bypassed an individual in a vehicle for any reason, even if the area is open for hunting or fishing. Roadblocks, cables or closed and locked gates may only be bypassed on foot if that area is listed as open for hunting or fishing.
- d. The perimeter of Fort Benning is marked by signs, which read "Military Reservation Keep Out." All persons are required to enter or exit from the installation at designated access points.
- e. Certain areas of Fort Benning have been designated as "exclusion" areas. Hunting or fishing in these areas is prohibited.

The areas are shown on the Hunting and Fishing Overlay Maps and involve the following areas or parts thereof:

- (1) Malone and McKenna MOUT complexes.
- (2) Ammunition Supply Point (ASP).
- (3) Hastings, Ruth, Ware, Griswold, Galloway, and Carmouche Ranges.

This list is not all-inclusive; the 1:50,000-scale Hunting and Fishing Overlay Map must be checked to identify the location of all exclusion areas. While hunting or fishing in an exclusion area is prohibited, driving through the area on an established road or trail to get to an otherwise open area is allowed provided that no road guard, gate, cable, or other such barrier is bypassed.

- f. Hunting and Fishing Information Sheets designating open areas are prepared by Range Division, G-3. These sheets are posted before 1000 daily and list each area that is open for hunting and fishing for up to 3 days in the future. The sheets are posted at the following locations:
 - (1) Provost Marshal's Office, Building 215.
 - (2) Conservation Branch, Bldg 5884, Harmony Church.
 - (3) Malone Range 21, Buena Vista Road.
 - (4) Country Store, Uchee Creek Army Campground.
 - (5) Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1707.
 - (6) Recreation Center, Kelly Hill, Building 9079.
 - g. The following areas have specific hunting restrictions:
- (1) Bow-only areas. Bow hunting-only areas have been designated in locations in the vicinity of populated areas to include Custer Road, Sand Hill, the Chattahoochee River near Lawson Army Airfield, Sightseeing Road, Wetherby Field, Uchee Creek Recreation Area, Jamestown Road, and 10th Armored Division Road. The bow-only hunting areas include A3, CC3, CC4, EE1, EE2, N1, W4. Prior to hunting in these areas, hunters must confirm that the areas are open for bow-only hunting by using a current Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Overlay Map and a daily Hunting and Fishing Information Sheet.
- (2) Shotgun areas. Shotgun-only areas have been designated in locations in the vicinity of the cantonment area and major highways. Shotgun areas include: A4, A5, A6, A7, A8, A19, C1, C2, C3, P1, P2, P3, Q2, Q3, Q5, Q6, R1, R2, S1, S2, S3, U1, U2, U4, Y1, AA, BB1, BB2, BB3, BB4, BB5 and BB6. Shotguns, muzzleloaders, and bows are permitted in shotgun-only areas. Handguns in the following calibers are also permitted in shotgunonly areas: .357 magnum, .38 special, .41 magnum, .44 magnum, .45 ACP, .454 Casull, and .480 Ruger as well as 9mm and 10mm. Shotguns may also be used in any rifle area open for hunting.
- (3) Hunting areas not listed in subparagraphs (1) and (2) above are designated as rifle areas. Rifles, muzzleloaders, shotguns, bows and handguns may be used in these areas.
- **3-5. Cultural resources.** It is unlawful to disturb archeological sites on Fort Benning in accordance with AR 420-40. Anyone observing artifact collecting or site looting should contact the Military Police Desk at 545-5222 or the Environmental Management Division at 545-7319 and report the incident (i.e. vehicle description and license number, description of activity and individuals, time and location). The use or possession of metal detectors or any other device to locate or collect artifacts is prohibited.

Chapter 4 - Safety.

4-1. General. Safety is everyone's responsibility. To avoid injuries and possible loss of life, all hunting, fishing, and other recreational activities must be accomplished in a safe and responsible manner. Some of the restrictions and polices imposed on hunting and fishing activities are partially or primarily based upon safety considerations. Anyone discovering or having knowledge of an accident or incident occurring on the installation will notify the appropriate authorities by the fastest means available.

4-2. Policies.

a. Hunter Orange.

- (1) Hunters must wear an outer garment which shows a minimum of 500 square inches of fluorescent orange material above the waist and also wear fluorescent orange headgear while hunting.
- (2) This requirement is year round and in every season except when hunting waterfowl in bow-only areas, doves on designated fields, archers in bow-only areas, and the beginning of turkey season to the day prior to squirrel season. The requirement to wear fluorescent orange extends to all squirrel hunters and to all archers during archery season, except when archers are hunting in a bow-only area. Waterfowl hunters must wear the prescribed amount of fluorescent orange only when walking to or from a waterfowl hunting site.
- (3) Persons accompanying a hunter are held to the same safety requirement for hunter orange that the hunter is held.
- (4) Hunters are not required to wear hunter orange when traveling in an enclosed vehicle or when on foot no more than twenty (20) feet from a vehicle.
- (5) While not required, turkey hunters are encouraged to wear fluorescent orange when changing locations in the field or when carrying a harvested turkey out of the field.
- (6) Hunter orange must be of solid color and visible from any angle. Only hunter orange, commonly called blaze orange is allowed. The various shades of red as well as camouflage orange are prohibited.
- b. Hunter Control check-in and -out. All hunters must check in and check out through Hunter Control year round. The automated TELTRACK Hunter Control (545-8387) is the primary method to check-in and -out of an area. The back-up Hunter Control system is a 24-hour answering machine that will be used if the automated TELTRACK system is inoperative. Calls will be automatically transferred from the automated TELTRACK Hunter Control system to the answering machine backup system when required. In the unlikely event that both the primary and backup hunter control systems fail, then hunters may hunt by first verifying that the area is in fact open for hunting by checking the Daily Hunting and Fishing Information Sheet. Do not call the Military Police Desk to check in or to check out of an area. In addition to checking-in an area through hunter control, a hunter must also verify on the daily Hunting and Fishing Information Sheet that the area is in fact open for hunting. The procedures for checking in and out of an area in provided in appendix C
- c. Duds. Duds can be found in many areas and must not be handled. Do not pick-up, transport, or remove duds. Hunting and fishing are prohibited in posted dud areas and in those ranges and facilities posted "restricted" or "exclusion area" for safety reasons.
- d. Alcohol and drugs. Hunters will not be intoxicated, possess alcohol on their person, or consume alcoholic beverages while hunting. Hunters will not be under the influence of illegal drugs or possess them while hunting.
- e. Safety straps. All persons are required to use safety straps while hunting off the ground in stands, trees, and other structures.
- f. Weapons. Paragraph 5-5 specifies safety restrictions on weapons and ammunition. Paragraph 5-6 reiterates Fort Benning policies on the possession, registration, storage, transport, and discharging of weapons.
- g. Feral swine precautions. Feral swine can carry diseases that are transmissible to humans and domestic animals. To avoid exposure hunters should wear plastic gloves when field-dressing feral swine; wash their hands with soap and water as soon as possible after contact; avoid direct contact with the animal's blood and reproductive organs; and cook the meat thoroughly.
- h. Safety light. Many hunters travel to and from their hunting area, tree stand, or blind just before dawn and after dusk. It is recommended that hunters use a small light while traveling to and from their stands or hunting area in periods of limited visibility. Use of a small light will help with the problem of identification of hunters during low light condition. This recommendation does not authorize the use of lights to illegally hunt game animals.

i. Vehicles. Privately owned off-road vehicles (ORV) of any type (two, three or four-wheel) are prohibited on Fort Benning. All motor vehicles must meet applicable safety, licensing, insurance, and registration requirements during use on Fort Benning.

Chapter 5 - Hunting Regulations

5-1. General.

- a. Hunters will not hunt within 200 yards or within sight of an area that has been baited unless the bait has been removed completely for ten (10) or more days. A baited area is defined as any place which contains or has contained within the previous ten (10) days, feed, grains, salt licks, or other substances capable of luring game.
- b. Vehicles will not be driven through planted wildlife fields or feed strips.
- c. Individuals will not remove, destroy, or mutilate the head of a deer until it is processed or delivered to a facility for storage and processing.
- d. It is unlawful to capture, take, or possess any game bird or animal for use as a pet. It is unlawful to release into the wild or import any wildlife without first coordinating with the Chief, Conservation Branch, DFEL, and obtaining a permit from the appropriate state agency.
- e. Named ponds may be utilized for waterfowl hunting with the exception of Russ Pond and Pool, Sand Hill Duck Pond, Twilight Pond, and Victory Pond. Hunting hours on these ponds shall end two hours after official sunrise for morning shooting and will not commence earlier than one hour before official sunset for afternoon shooting.
- f. Hunters may drive hunt for deer in addition to still/stalk hunting. They should designate one hunter as being responsible for the drive and ensure that all members are briefed on safety and shooting zones.
- g. Individuals sponsoring a guest must accompany that guest at all times while they are hunting on Fort Benning. For a sponsor to "accompany" a guest, both the sponsor and the sponsored guest must be properly checked-in and physically present in the same hunting area.
- h. Hunters may not guide hunt in exchange for money or other compensation on Fort Benning.
- i. Hunting stands, both portable & constructed, may be used on Fort Benning. All hunters are required to use safety straps while hunting off the ground in stands, trees, and other structures. Stands will not be attached on any tree marked with a single or double white band (Red Cockaded Woodpecker Endangered Species Site). Constructed stands must be constructed using natural materials except for the use of nails and/or spikes; must be marked with the individuals name, phone number, and season date; and will not be placed on utility poles. Stands no longer used will be dismantled and removed from the woods. Hunting stands should be positioned in an area so that a hunter can legally fire or discharge his or her weapon in accordance with paragraph 5-6.e.
- j. Mandatory deer checks will be conducted on specified dates at check station locations as indicated in appendix B, Hunting Seasons and Bag Limits. Hunters must bring all deer harvested to the check station on the mandatory deer check dates.
- k. Tagging game. There is no requirement to tag harvested animals. However, when hunting deer, turkey, or feral swine, hunters must fill out the Fort Benning Harvest Card after making a kill and before moving the animal, regardless of where the animal was killed or which state license the hunter possesses. Also, when hunting in Georgia, the Deer Harvest Record section of the Georgia hunting license must be completed prior to moving the carcass. The Fort Benning Harvest Card must be returned to the Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1707 no later than 1 June. Persons transporting a deer or turkey harvested by another hunter must possess, in writing, the complete name, address, telephone number, and Fort Benning permit number of the person who harvested the deer or turkey.
 - I. Training and hunting with dogs.

- (1) Dogs are prohibited from use in hunting deer or feral swine on the installation.
- (2) Individuals authorized hunting privileges on Fort Benning may train or condition dogs on Fryar Field, year-round, provided that the area is open and is not being used for military training. Individuals working with dogs must stay within that area of Fryar Field bounded by roads. Other areas of the installation may be used for this purpose provided the compartment is listed on the daily Hunting Fishing Information Sheets as open. Only blank ammunition may be used to train dogs.
- (3) Dogs may be used to hunt bobcat, fox, raccoon and coyote only at night. Use of dogs during daylight hours for hunting doves, quail, woodcock, waterfowl, squirrel, and rabbits is allowed.
- m. Trapping on the Fort Benning Military Reservation is prohibited. The use of any pitfall, deadfall, snare, catch, trap, net, live decoy, or baited hook to take game is prohibited. Game wardens and installation wildlife management personnel may trap for predator control and medical purposes only. Game wardens may trap dogs and other domestic animals, as required.
 - n. Endangered and threatened species.
- (1) In accordance with AR 200-3, it is unlawful for any person subject to the jurisdiction of the U.S. to harass, harm, or capture any endangered species within the U.S.
- (2) Fort Benning is home to many unique and protected species, including the endangered Red-Cockaded Woodpecker (RCW) and the Gopher Tortoise. Sportsmen must be sensitive to environmental concerns and ensure that their actions are consistent with good wildlife management practices. Sportsmen should exercise good judgment and report violations of this or any other regulation or law to the Military Police Desk at 545-5222.
- (3) Hunters may hunt within an RCW cluster site and portable hunting stands may be used on any tree in the cluster not marked with a single or double white band. RCW clusters are marked by white signs designating the area as an Endangered Species Site. Vehicles, of any type, are prohibited from entering or driving through an RCW cluster site on other than established and maintained roads or trails.
- (4) All sportsmen in vehicles must keep a watchful eye for Gopher Tortoises and try to avoid them if they are encountered while crossing roadways.
- o. The use of any electrically amplified bird calls or sounds, whether real or imitation, is prohibited except electrically amplified crow calls. The possession of any electrical device and/or records capable of producing real or imitation bird calls of any type except crow calls is prohibited.
- p. Hunters may use cell phones, pagers, two-way radios, Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) position location devices, and bionic ear devices while hunting.
- q. Taking a deer while it $\bar{\bar{i}}s$ in a river, lake, steam, or pond is prohibited.
- r. Use of decoys for turkey hunting is permitted on the Georgia side of the installation only. Use of decoys for turkey hunting on the Alabama side of the installation is prohibited.
- s. Only battery powered lights not exceeding 6 volts or fuel type lanterns may be carried by hunters while night hunting.

5-2. Minimum age requirements.

- a. All persons born on or after 1 January 1961 must show evidence of the successful completion of a hunter safety course to obtain a Fort Benning Hunting Permit and to hunt on Fort Benning.
- b. Persons younger than 12 years of age may be with a sponsor while hunting, but are not authorized to carry a weapon and must be under the direct adult supervision of an adult sponsor 18 years old or older.
- c. Persons 12-15 years of age cannot hunt on their own and must be under the direct adult supervision of an adult sponsor 18 years old or older. Carrying a weapon or weapons for hunting is permitted. To hunt on the Georgia side of the installation, persons 12-15 years of age are not required to possess a Fort Benning Punting Permit or a Georgia hunting license except that a Junior Deer Harvest License is required (available at no cost) they if hunt deer. To hunt big game on the Alabama side of the installation,

persons 12-15 years of age must purchase an Alabama Big Game License and are not required to possess a Fort Benning Hunting Permit. All persons 12-15 years of age must show evidence of successful completion of a hunter safety course to hunt anywhere on Fort Benning.

- d. Primary dependents who are 16 years of age or older must obtain a Fort Benning Hunting Permit to hunt on the installation and may carry a weapon to hunt on their own without a sponsor present. All persons 16 years of age or older that hunt must have the appropriate state license for the game they are hunting and show evidence of successful completion of a hunter safety course.
- e. Primary dependents 16-17 years of age require written permission from their adult sponsor to obtain a Fort Benning Hunting Permit.
- f. "Direct adult supervision" is defined as within sight or hearing of a person 18 years old or older.
- g. Primary dependents age 18 years old or older are authorized to sponsor up to a maximum of three guests per day to hunt and fish on Fort Benning if they possess a current post permit and the appropriate state license.
- h. Adult sponsors of persons younger than 16 years of age must be authorized to hunt and fish on the installation per paragraph 3-2a(1)-(12) and possess a possess a current post permit and the appropriate state license.
- i. Adult sponsors may not have more than two (2) hunters 12-15 years of age carrying weapons while under their supervision at one time.
- **5-3. Hunting seasons.** Hunting seasons on the Georgia and Alabama side of the installation are in accordance with the respective state seasons and bag limits, with few exceptions, and are listed in appendix B.

5-4. Hunting hours.

- a. The legal hunting hours for hunting on Fort Benning are one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset with the following exceptions:
- (1) Legal hours for migratory bird hunting (such as, duck and dove) will be determined by the appropriate federal regulations. Hunting waterfowl on ponds shall end two hours after official sunrise for morning shooting and will not commence earlier than one hour before official sunset.
- (2) Raccoons, opossums, fox, bobcats, and coyotes may be hunted at night (see table B-2, appendix B).
- b. All persons hunting at night must be registered as a "night hunter" at the Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1707. Night hunters must check-in through hunter control. Night hunters may not enter an area to hunt at night until one-hour after sunset and must exit the area not later than one-hour before sunrise.

5-5. Legal weapons and ammunition.

- a. Wildlife may be hunted on the Georgia or Alabama side of the installation with any weapon that is approved for that purpose by the respective Georgia or Alabama Fish and Game Authorities with few exceptions. Fort Benning's military training requirements, safety considerations, and installation security concerns require the following exceptions to be imposed:
- (1) The use of buckshot is prohibited for all hunting on Fort Benning.
- (2) Slugs are the only authorized ammunition for harvesting deer when a shotgun is used.
- (3) Turkey can only be harvested with shotguns or smoothbore muzzle loading shotguns with No. 2 or smaller shot (scopes allowed) and any approved archery weapon. Handguns, rifles, and muzzle loading rifles with ball ammunition may not be used to harvest turkey.
- (4) Bows must have a minimum pull of 45 lbs. Long bows, recurve bows, compound bows, and crossbows are all considered as bows in this regulation.
- (5) Fort Benning has been divided into different areas, each of which may have restrictions on the weapons and

ammunition that can be used for hunting (paragraph 3-4 and the 1:50,000-scale Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Overlay Map).

- b. Legal weapons in Bow-only Areas.
- (1) On the Georgia side of the installation, long bows, recurve bows, compound bows, and crossbows are the only weapons permitted in bow-only areas.
- (2) On the Alabama side of the installation, long bows, recurve bows, and compound bows are the only weapons permitted in bow-only areas.
- c. Legal weapons in Shotgun Areas. Shotguns, muzzleloaders, and bows are permitted in shotgun-only areas. Handguns in the following calibers are also permitted in shotgun-only areas: .357 magnum, .38 special, .41 magnum, .44 magnum, .45 ACP, .454 Casull, and .480 Ruger as well as 9mm and 10mm.
- d. Legal weapons in Rifle Areas. Rifles, muzzleloaders, shotguns, bows, and handguns may be used in rifle areas.
- e. Legal weapons for deer. Deer may be hunted with the following weapons in accordance with open seasons and area restrictions:
- (1) Rifles and handguns .22-caliber or larger centerfires with expanding bullets.
- (2) Shotguns 20-gauge or larger with slugs. Buckshot is not allowed.
- (3) Muzzleloaders that are .44 caliber or larger on the Georgia side of the installation and .40 caliber or larger on the Alabama side of the installation.
- (4) Primitive weapons are bows, to include crossbows (scopes allowed), and muzzleloaders. Crossbows are not allowed in Alabama. Muzzleloader hunters must use iron sights or non-magnifying fiber-optic sights during primitive weapons season.
- f. Legal weapons for feral swine. Feral swine may be hunted with the following weapons in accordance with open seasons and area restrictions:
- (1) Rifles and handguns .22-caliber or larger centerfires with expanding bullets.
- (2) Shotguns 20-gauge or larger with slugs. Shotguns with slugs are not permitted to hunt feral swine during small game firearm periods in either Georgia or Alabama. Buckshot is not allowed.
- (3) Primitive weapons are bows, to include crossbows (scopes allowed), and muzzleloaders. Crossbows are not allowed in Alabama. Muzzleloader hunters must use iron sights or non-magnifying fiber-optic sights during the primitive weapons season.
- (4) Small Game Firearms are .22-caliber or smaller rim fire rifle or handgun, any muzzleloading firearm (scopes allowed), and shotguns as follows:
- (a) In Georgia, shotguns having a shot shell no greater than 3.5 inches in length with No. 2 or smaller shot are considered to be small game firearms.
- (b) In Alabama, shotguns with No. 4 or smaller shot and in 10 or smaller gauges are considered to be small game firearms.
- (5) With the exceptions contained in paragraph 5.5.o. below, archers may also carry and use any of the legal small game firearms listed in this regulation in addition to carrying and using a bow during the feral swine small game firearms season while hunting in shotgun-only and rifle areas.
- g. Legal weapons for turkey. Handguns, rifles, and muzzle loading rifles with ball ammunition may not be used to harvest turkey. Turkey may be hunted with the following weapons:
 - (1) Shotguns (scopes allowed) with No.2 or smaller shot.
- (2) Any smoothbore muzzleloading firearm (scopes allowed) with No.2 shot or smaller shot.
- (3) Any approved archery weapon to include crossbows (scopes allowed). Crossbows are not allowed in Alabama.
- h. Legal weapons for waterfowl. Waterfoul may be hunted with any 10-gauge or smaller shotgun loaded with federally approved nontoxic shot of size "F" or smaller. No lead shot may be used or in possession while hunting waterfowl.
- i. Legal weapons for furbearer animals. Due to varying regulations between Georgia and Alabama, hunters must check the

appropriate state regulation to determine the legal weapons to hunt furbearer animals.

- j. Except for registered night hunters hunting legal game at night within the legal night hunting hours, hunters are prohibited from hunting with a bow or gun that has a light source attached that is capable of casting a beam of light forward of the bow or gun or to possess such a light source adapted for attachment to a bow or gun. Hunters are also prohibited from possessing any equipment that uses electronics to increase the ability to see in the dark (night vision equipment) while hunting any species of wildlife.
 - k. Firearm silencers may not be used for hunting.
- I. Shotguns must be plugged to a maximum capacity of three (3) shells (magazine and chamber combined) except for deer and feral swine hunting. For deer and feral swine, shotguns are limited to five (5) shells.
- m. Crossbows are prohibited in the Alabama portion of the installation unless otherwise provided by Alabama law or regulation.
- n. Crossbows must have a working safety device. Crossbow bolts or arrows cannot be treated with any type of chemical or carry any type of chemical pod attachment.
- o. Archery hunters may not use or possess a firearm at any time in an archery-only area. In all other areas the following applies:
- (1) On the Georgia side of the installation, archers may also carry any approved firearm in accordance with the open season and subject to restrictions on weapons in certain areas. The only exceptions are as follows:
- (a) Archers may not use both a bow and a muzzleloader with a scope during the deer primitive weapon season.
- (b) Archers may not possess any firearm while hunting deer during the archery season in any area on the Georgia side of the installation.
- (2) On the Alabama side of the installation, archers are prohibited from possessing both a gun and a bow while hunting any species of game, bird or animal, except during deer firearms season and subject to restrictions on weapons in certain areas.
- **5-6. Weapons policies.** Fort Benning weapons policies are provided in USAIC Regulation 210-5 and are reiterated in this regulation due to the inherent use of weapons for hunting, installation security concerns, and to ensure all sportsmen are informed.
 - a. Storage and registration.
- (1) Privately owned small arms and ammunition of all personnel assigned to or TDY and quartered on Fort Benning, except those individuals living in family housing, will be registered and stored in the arms room of their immediate organizational commander in accordance with AR 190-11.
- (2) All military personnel and family members who reside on Fort Benning and own or possess a privately owned firearm must register it with the Provost Marshall Vehicle/Firearms Registration Section (545-1195) within three working days of obtaining the firearm. Owners must carry their Provost Marshal registration card (FORSCOM/TRADOC Form 563-R) on their person when carrying or transporting a weapon.
- (3) Personnel not residing on Fort Benning are not required to register their weapons with the Provost Marshall Vehicle/Firearms Registration Section.
 - b. Transporting weapons.
- (1) All personnel assigned to or employed at (to include those personnel at Fort Benning in a TDY status) who desire to transport a privately owned weapon to and from hunting, sports shooting, or other recognized function involving that weapon will ensure that the weapon is unloaded. No weapon will be transported with a loaded magazine/clip affixed into the weapon. No weapon will be transported with a round in the chamber or other projectile in a "ready to fire" configuration. A crossbow is considered to be unloaded when it is uncocked and there is no bolt on the platform. A muzzleloader is considered to be unloaded when there is no firing cap on the nipple, although a charge may be in the chamber.
- (2) Weapons will be transported in the trunk of vehicles, if so equipped. No weapon will be transported in glove compartments,

- under seats, or any other concealed manner, except in the trunk of a vehicle.
- c. Restricted locations. Weapons of any kind are prohibited in all AAFES and DCA/MWR facilities. Privately owned hunting weapons may be possessed by hunters while staying at the Uchee Creek lodging or campground facilities provided that they remain unloaded.
- d. Concealed weapons. No sportsman shall carry a weapon concealed on his or her person at any time.
- e. Firing or discharging weapons. Target practice is prohibited except on an authorized range. Individuals will not discharge a weapon from a vehicle or across a maintained road. No weapon will be discharged within 200 feet of maintained roads, buildings, or posted troop training areas. Firing a weapon in the direction of and within 200 yards of a maintained road, building, ammunition storage area, active airfield, or posted no hunting area is prohibited. Maintained roads are those roads with a base consisting of pavement, concrete, gravel, or improved dirt that receive regular or periodic maintenance and are wide enough to allow at least two-way vehicular traffic. Roads that are not maintained consist of small roads and trails with a dirt or clay base that receive little or no maintenance and that are only wide enough for one-way vehicular traffic or narrower.

Chapter 6 - Fishing Regulations

6-1. General.

- a. Sponsors must accompany their guests at all times while they are fishing on Fort Benning.
- b. Children less than 16 years of age are not required to purchase a Fort Benning Fishing Permit; however, children less than 12 years of age must be accompanied by a sponsor.
- c. The Russ Pond/Pool area and the Sand Hill Duck Pond are reserved for children's fishing only. Only children 15 years of age and younger may fish in these areas. Sponsors may assist children in baiting their hook, casting, and removing fish from their line. Sponsors are not required to have a Fort Benning Fishing Permit or fishing license when accompanying children in these areas.
- d. It is unlawful to park within 50 feet of a boat ramp or in such a fashion that will impede others from either launching or retrieving their boat.

6-2. Methods.

- a. Only hook and line may be used for fishing except as follows:
- (1) Trotlines may be used in the waters of the Chattahoochee River, Upatoi Creek and their tributaries. Trotline use in any other area is prohibited. All trotlines must be marked with the owner's name, address and telephone number. Trotlines must be checked at least once every 24 hours.
- (2) Setline or jug fishing is prohibited except in the areas where trotlines are authorized.
- (3) Fishing with more than two lines is prohibited, except for the areas in which trotlines are allowed. In those areas, state fish and game laws limit the number of trotlines.
 - (4) Seining in streams or ponds is prohibited.
- (5) Use of fish traps, snatch hooks, or spears are prohibited and will not be used on or around any of the ponds and streams on Fort Benning.
- (6) Individuals may gig for frogs with a gig that has at least three prongs. A State fishing license and a Fort Benning Fishing Permit are required to gig for frogs.
- (7) Bows and arrows may be used to take non-game fish in the same areas where trotlines are allowed.
- b. Possession of minnows is not allowed in or around any named (managed) pond on the installation. They may be used as bait in beaver ponds and creeks located on the installation.
- **6-3. Creel limits.** Creel limits, by species, are posted in table 6-1 for all waters on Fort Benning, except the Chattahoochee River and its tributaries which follow state regulations.

Table 6-1. Creel limits

SPECIES OF FISH	DAILY LIMIT MINIMUM	SIZE LIMIT	
Largemouth Bass	5	None	
Bream (all species)	50	None	
Catfish (Blue or Channel)	8	None	

Other Species: Comply with State sport fishing regulations.

NOTE: These limits are subject to change. Notice of any changes will be displayed at all ponds where applicable.

- **6-4. Seasons**. All ponds and streams on Fort Benning are open to fishing throughout the entire year except when closed for management and/or training. Check the Hunting and Fishing Information Sheets and signs posted at the ponds to determine whether fishing is permitted in a particular pond.
- **6-5. Boats.** Chapter 8 of this regulation describes the guidance and policies on boats that may be used for fishing on Fort Benning.

Chapter 7 - Licenses, Permits, and Fees

7-1. General.

- **a.** To hunt or fish on Fort Benning, whether on the Georgia or Alabama side of the installation, individuals must have the appropriate licenses, permits, and personal identification in their possession when engaged in the activity for which the licenses or permits are required.
- b. A quick information reference is provided in table 7-1, Point of Contact Information.
- **7-2. Federal license.** If the wildlife being hunted requires a federal license or stamp, then the hunter must have that license or stamp (i.e. Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp, Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program Permit) in his or her possession and the hunter's name must be signed across the front of the Duck Stamp.
- **7-3. State license.** To hunt or fish on Fort Benning, individuals must have the respective state license and special license or stamp (i.e. State Waterfowl Stamp) for the state in which they are hunting or fishing. Since Fort Benning is located in two states, individuals must be aware of each state's requirements.
- a. Georgia. All hunters must have a Georgia State Hunting License to hunt on the Georgia side of the installation and must meet Georgia's requirements (age, residency, proof of hunter safety course) to obtain these licenses. A Georgia Big Game License is required to hunt deer or turkey, but not for feral swine. Persons born on or after 1 January 1961 must show evidence of successful completion of any hunter safety course approved by the State of Georgia. Persons born before 1 January 1961 must show evidence of successful completion of any hunter safety course approved by the State of Georgia or view the Fort Benning Hunter Safety Film to receive a Fort Benning Hunter Safety Class Card (FB (SD) Form 18). For the purpose of hunting and fishing, the State of Georgia includes full-time military personnel on active duty (and their dependents) who are stationed at a military base in Georgia as State residents and, therefore, do not need to purchase nonresident licenses.
- b. Alabama. All hunters must have an Alabama State Hunting License to hunt on the Alabama side of the installation and must meet Alabama requirements (age, residency, proof of hunter safety course) to obtain these licenses. Persons born on or after 1 January 1961 must show evidence of successful completion of any hunter safety course approved by the State of Alabama. Persons born

before 1 January 1961 must show evidence of successful completion of any hunter safety course approved by the State of Alabama or view the Fort Benning Hunter Safety Film to receive a Fort Benning Hunter Safety Class Card (FB (SD) Form 18). NOTE: Fort Benning uses the more restrictive Georgia date (persons born on or after 1 January 1961) in determining who needs to successfully complete a hunter safety course rather than the Alabama age requirement of persons born on or after 1 August 1977.

Exception for Active Duty Military Personnel.

All active duty personnel assigned to Fort Benning who have either a Georgia or Alabama hunting license may hunt on either the Georgia or Alabama side of the installation with that license, but are bound by the rules of the state in which they are hunting, such as bag limits and season dates. Family members, sponsored guests of active duty personnel, DoD Civilian Employees, retirees, and all other persons authorized to hunt or fish on Fort Benning are not included in this agreement. This exception was authorized through the Cooperative Agreement as a result of negotiations with authorities in Georgia and Alabama.

- c. For the purposes of hunting, the Georgia-Alabama boundary shall be the western side of the Chattahoochee river channel (based on channel marker locations).
- d. Fishing in Chattahoochee River. Either a Georgia or Alabama Fishing License may be used to fish in the Chattahoochee River. The Chattahoochee River and its impoundments are always considered open for fishing unless otherwise announced.

7-4. Fort Benning permits.

- a. Annual permits. Personnel authorized to hunt and fish on Fort Benning in accordance with paragraph 3-2 above, excluding guests, and who possess a valid State license, may purchase annual hunting and fishing permits. Permits are valid for one (1) year from the date of issuance. All Fort Benning permits (annual or special) are available at the Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1707, or at the Country Store, Uchee Creek Army Campground and Marina.
- (1) Hunting Permits. Persons hunting on Fort Benning, who are 16 years of age or older, must obtain a Fort Benning Hunting Permit. To obtain this permit, a state hunting license is required. To hunt deer or turkey on Fort Benning, hunters must also obtain a Fort Benning Harvest Card (FB Form 200-3). This card is issued at either the Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1707, or at the Country Store, Uchee Creek Army Campground and Marina. This permit is used to survey hunting statistics for the installation and is an important part of the Fort Benning Wildlife Management Plan. For that reason, the completed harvest card must be returned on or prior to 1 June. Permits may be returned by mail to Outdoor Recreation, P.O. Box 53323, Fort Benning, Georgia 31905. Individuals desiring receipt for turn-in should mail the permit by certified mail, return receipt requested; or personally return the permit to the Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1707, and obtain a receipt for turn-in. Failure to return the permit or prove receipt shall result in revocation/suspension of privileges for one (1) year. Appeals will not be accepted without proof of a receipt for turn-in of permit.
- (2) Fishing Permits. A Fort Benning Fishing Permit is required for any person age 16 or older to fish in any waters (pond or stream) on Fort Benning except that the Chattahoochee River may be fished from a boat or the bank without a permit. Fishing in streams that flow into the Chattahoochee River or backwaters areas of the Chattahoochee River does not require a permit if fishing from a boat, but bank fishing in these areas requires a permit.
- (3) Vehicle Access Pass. The Fort Benning Vehicle Access Pass belonging to a vehicle's operator shall be displayed so that it can be read through the front windshield from outside the vehicle while the operator is hunting at any time of the year. If other hunters are riding in the vehicle with the operator, they are not

required to display their Vehicle Access Passes. If a hunter parks his vehicle anywhere downrange and then rides to a hunting area with another hunter, then he must display his Fort Benning Vehicle Access Pass behind the windshield of his parked vehicle.

- b. Honorary Permits. Individuals who are eligible to hunt on Fort Benning and qualify for an honorary state hunting license in either Georgia or Alabama may get an honorary Fort Benning Hunting Permit. This permit is valid for one (1) year from the date of issue
- c. Guest Permits. Guests, as defined by sub-paragraph 3-2a (12), must be sponsored and possess a Guest Permit (FB Form 200-3-1). Guest permits are obtained by a guest's sponsor. Guest Permits (FB Form 200-3-1) can be purchased and issued as daily passes, monthly weekend passes, or in periods of time of up to 30 consecutive days. The sponsor's name will be entered on the pass and an alternate sponsor may be added if requested. If the primary sponsor does not accompany the guest while hunting or fishing, then the alternate sponsor must accompany the guest and is responsible.
- **7-5.** Fee and permit prices. The Morale, Welfare, and Recreation (MWR) office is responsible for establishing the prices of recreation fees. DFEL is responsible for establishing the prices for hunting and fishing permits. Fee and permit prices are subject to change and can be obtained by contacting the Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1707 (545-7978) or at the Country Store, Uchee Creek Army Campground and Marina (545-4053).

Chapter 8 - Violations of Fish and Wildlife Laws, Rules, and Regulations

8-1. General. This regulation does not preempt or replace applicable Federal or State laws regarding hunting and fishing. Violations of the provisions of this regulation, State laws (either Georgia or Alabama, depending on location), or Federal laws, may result in severe disciplinary and administrative penalties. As a result of a violation, individuals may be criminally charged; lose hunting and fishing privileges; have their personal equipment confiscated; or any combination of these actions.

8-2. Policies.

- a. Inspections. All individuals must have their state licenses, Fort Benning permits, photo proof of identification, and exceptions to policy on their person when hunting or fishing. All military personnel and family members who reside on Fort Benning must carry their Fort Benning Firearms Registration Card (FORSCOM/TRADOC Form 563-R) on their person when carrying, transporting, or using their firearms. Only the vehicle operator is required to display his Fort Benning Vehicle Access Pass behind the vehicle's windshield. These documents must be made available, upon request, to any enforcement person.
- b. Report of violations. Sportsmen are encouraged to report any observed violations of this regulation and/or State and Federal laws to the Military Police Desk (545-5222).
 - c. Administrative actions.
- (1) Individuals observed or reported to be violating any regulation or law relating to hunting and fishing on Fort Benning, will be issued a notice of suspension of installation hunting and/or fishing privileges by the citing officials. Upon receipt of this notice, the individual's hunting and fishing privileges are immediately suspended for the period of time specified in the notice. If the individual disagrees and believes that he did not commit an offense, he may file an appeal with the Installation Hearing Officer, Office of the Staff Judge Advocate (545-5234).
- (2) Individuals have seven (7) days from the date the notice is issued to request an appeal. Failure to contact the Installation Hearing Officer within seven (7) days will result in waiving the right to appeal and the suspension will stand.
- (3) If an individual files an appeal, a hearing may be requested with the Installation Hearing Officer. At this hearing, an

individual may present evidence that could help in considering the appeal.

- (4) Although an appeal is filed, the suspension will be in effect until the matter is decided. Similarly, going to trial over the matter and intent to plead innocent does not affect the suspension. Privileges remain suspended until the case is decided.
- (5) The Installation Hearing Officer will consider each case and recommend a decision within two weeks. This recommendation will be forwarded through the Deputy Staff Judge Advocate for review and then to the Garrison Commander for action. The Installation Hearing Officer will provide notice of this decision to the individual. Notice will also be provided to the Permit Issuing Activity, the Conservation Branch, DFEL, and the Provost Marshal. There is no further right of appeal from this decision.
- (6) If the appeal is denied, the suspension will run for the time specified in the original notice. The period of suspension is calculated from the date the notice is issued.
- (7) A list of the standard Administrative Penalties for various infractions is at table 8-1, Violations and penalties.
- d. Criminal sanctions: In addition to suffering the loss of hunting and fishing privileges, individuals may be criminally charged for certain offenses that violate State and/or Federal law. If they have been charged with violating one of these laws, they will be issued a DD Form 1805, which may require them to pay a fine and/or appear before the Federal Magistrate in United States District Court.

Chapter 9 - Outdoor Recreation Activities

- **9-1 Boating and Water Recreation.** Boats may be used to fish on Fort Benning, subject to the following conditions:
- a. Privately owned motorboats must be registered and meet all requirements in accordance to either the State of Georgia or the State of Alabama law, as appropriate.
- b. A personal flotation device (vest) is required for each passenger in the boat. This device must be U.S. Coast Guard approved and the appropriate size for the passengers.
- c. Any person operating any watercraft on the waters of the installation shall comply with the applicable Federal, Georgia, and Alabama safety rules and regulations relative to boat equipment, operation, lights, and navigation rules.
- d. Combustion-type motors will not be used to power boats on any pond or stream on Fort Benning, except on the Chattahoochee River or water accessible from the Chattahoochee River. Electric motors may be used in ponds and other streams.
- e. All lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams on the installation are off-limits to recreational swimming, water skiing, aquaplaning, and scuba diving.
- **9-2 Motorized Land Vehicles.** Privately owned off-road vehicles (ORV) and all-terrain vehicles (ATV) of any type (two, three or fourwheel) are prohibited on Fort Benning. Requests for exception to this policy must be submitted along with documentation of a medical disability to the Chief, Conservation Branch (545-7319) in order to use an ORV or ATV for hunting or fishing. Motor vehicles used to hunt or fish on Fort Benning must meet applicable safety, licensing, insurance, and registration requirements for use on public roads.
- **9-3 Camping.** Camping is only authorized at Kings Pond and at the Uchee Creek Army Campground. Loaded firearms are prohibited in all camping areas. Campers at Kings Pond are prohibited from dumping or littering.

Table 7-1. Point of Contact Information

Information	Office	Phone / Website
Automated check in/out of hunting areas To check the status of an area To contact game wardens and military police	TELTRACK Hunter Control System (automated)	545-8387
On-line access for areas open on Fort Benning for hunting or fishing	Environmental Management Division	www.benning.army.mil/ EMD/Hunting/AREAS.htm
On-line Fort Benning hunting and fishing information	Environmental Management Division	www.benning.army.mil/ EMD/wildlife.html
On-line USAIC Regulation 200-3, Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Regulation	Environmental Management Division	www.benning.army.mil/ EMD/R200-3.pdf
GA hunting and fishing licenses Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Permits Fort Benning Hunter Access Passes Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Maps Fort Benning Hunter Safety Cards / Film	Outdoor Recreation Office Bldg 1707 Mon-Fri 9am-5pm, Sat 8:30 - 11:30am, closed Sun & holidays	545-7978 www.benningmwr.com/ outdoor.cfm
GA hunting and fishing licenses Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Permits Fort Benning Hunter Access Passes Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Maps Boater Safety Cards	Country Store, Uchee Creek Marina and Campground Mon-Thu 9am-6pm, Fri-Sun 8am-6pm	545-4053 or 7238 www.benningmwr.com/ uchee.cfm
To request military police To contact game warden (via MP Desk) to report hunting or fishing violations/ incidents To request an ambulance or to report a fire	Military Police Desk (24 hrs)	545-5222 or 5223 or 5224
Fort Benning telephone numbers Fort Benning operator assistance	Post Operator (24 hrs) (both automated and operator assist)	545-2011 or 0110
Local and national directory assistance	National Directory Assistance (24 hrs) Note: charges apply – rates vary	411
Fort Benning Staff Duty Officer	USAIC Staff Duty Office (24 hrs)	545-2218 or 6814
Exceptions to Post hunting and fishing policy Post hunting and fishing regulation questions Post fish and wildlife management questions Post hunting seasons and bag limits	Chief, Conservation Branch, Environmental Management Division, Directorate of Facilities Engineering and Logistics	544-7319 or 7077
Post controlled burning, forestry, planting	Chief, Land Management Br, DFEL	544-7076 or 6120
Timber harvesting, firewood permits	Forester, Forest Resources, USACOE	544-6169
Range operations, duds, range incidents Assistance if locked behind range gate/barrier Reporting troops in an open hunting area	Radio Room, Range Division, G-3, USAIC (24 hrs)	545-3474 or 3479
Suspension of hunting/fishing privileges Hearing officer for filing appeals	Staff Judge Advocate, Administrative Law Division	545-3285
Fort Benning rifle and pistol shooting range Purchasing rifles and pistols	Fort Benning Rifle & Pistol Club, English Range, Dixie Road Tue, Thu, Fri 12pm – 6:30pm Sat 9am – 5pm, Sun 12pm – 5pm	689-3371 www.rpcrange.com/
Bass Club activities Bass fishing tournaments	Fort Benning BASS Club	www.geocities.com/bass club of fortbenning/
Fort Benning firearm registration	Vehicle and Firearm Registration Ofc	545-1195
Georgia hunting and fishing education classes, licenses, laws GA boating regulations, ramps, registration	Georgia Wildlife Resource Division, Dept of Natural Resources	770-918-6416 http://georgiawildlife.dnr.state .ga.us
Alabama hunting and fishing education classes, licenses, laws	Alabama Division of Wildlife and Fisheries, Dept of Conservation and Natural Resources	334-242-3465 www.dcnr.state.al.us/agfd/ index.html
Alabama boating regulations, registration, and ramp locations	AL Marine Resources Division, Dept of Conservation and Natural Resources	www.dcnr.state.al.us/mr/ index.html

Note: Do not call the Military Police Desk to check-in or -out of an area.

Do not call the Range Division, G-3, to open a locked gate in an open area.

Table 8-1. Violations and Penalties

VIOLATION	FIRST OFFENSE	SECOND OFFENSE
Illegal use of artificial light for locating game or hunting	Permanent Revocation	
** Possession or use of alcoholic beverages while hunting	Permanent Revocation	
Guide Hunting	Permanent Revocation	
Use of traps, snares, pitfalls, or similar devices to take game	Permanent Revocation	
** Discharging a firearm from a vehicle	Permanent Revocation	
** Transporting a loaded weapon in a motorized vehicle	5 years	Permanent Revocation
Possession of illegally shot game	2 years	5 years
** Hunting in an exclusion area	2 years	5 years
Permitting another to fraudulently use your state or post hunting/fishing license/ permit	2 years	Permanent Revocation
Erecting or affixing a deer stand to a marked RCW cavity tree	2 years	5 years
Exceeding creel/bag limits	2 years	5 years
Hunting over or taking of game from a baited area	1 year	2 years
* Failure to return harvest cards	1 year	2 years
** Bypassing a roadblock, cable, or gate with a vehicle	1 year	2 years
** Hunting out of season	1 year	5 years
** Possession of firearms while hunting deer during bow season	1 year	5 years
Removal of deer head prior to registration	1 year	3 years
Using an unregistered vehicle	1 year	2 years
**Hunting without the prescribed amount of fluorescent orange	1 year	5 years
Hunting/fishing without a valid state license or permit	1 year	5 years
Hunting/running deer and hogs with dogs	1 year	5 years
Illegal use of off-road vehicle	1 year	5 years
** Concealment of a handgun	1 year	5 years
** Failure to accompany guest	1 year	5 years
** Discharging a weapon across or within 200 feet of a maintained road or building or within 200 yards in the direction thereof.	1 year	5 years
Littering and/or dumping	1 year	2 years
Failure to fill out a Fort Benning Harvest Card (FB Form 200-3) after a kill and before moving the carcass	1 year	3 years
** Hunting with unauthorized weapon or ammunition	1 year	3 years
Hunting ducks without a duck stamp	1 year	5 years
** Hunting in a closed area	1 year	3 years
** Hunting before or after legal hours	1 year	2 years
** Hunting without state approved hunting safety course card or a Fort Benning Hunter Safety Course Card (FB (SD) Form 18)	1 year	2 years
Illegal drive hunting	1 year	5 years
Taking of fish by unauthorized means	1 year	3 years
** Failure to check-in an area through hunter control.	1 year	1 year
Improper/inadequate safety equipment on boats	90 days	1 year
Illegal use of combustion engine powered boat	60 days	1 year
Failure to display and/or present Vehicle Access Permit	60 days	6 months
Failure to check deer during mandatory deer check	30 days	1 year
** Failure to check-out of an area with hunter control after 3	Suspension until the end	1 year
warnings and over a 12-month period. NOTE: Violation of any provision of this regulation for which there is	of the current season	above or violation of any

NOTE: Violation of any provision of this regulation for which there is no specific penalty set out above or violation of any State or Federal law relating to hunting or fishing, may result in a suspension of privileges for up to one (1) year. This determination will initially be made by the citing law enforcement officer and can appealed through the administrative channels established in this regulation.

^{*} Failure to turn-in a Fort Benning Harvest Card (FB Form 200-3) will result in a suspension of hunting privileges for the subsequent hunting season.

^{**} Indicates a safety violation. If an individual is involved in a safety violation, then evidence of successful completion of a state approved hunter safety course must be provided before hunting privileges can be restored, regardless of whether the period of suspension has passed or not.

Appendix A References

Section I Related publications

AR 190-5

Motor Vehicle Traffic Supervision

AR 200-3

Natural Resource Land, Forest, Wildlife Management

AR 420-40

Historic Preservation

USAIC Regulation 190-5 Vehicle Traffic Regulation

USAIC Regulation 210-4 Range and Terrain Regulation

USAIC Regulation 210-5 Garrison Regulation

Integrated Natural Resources Management Plan 2001-2005

Georgia Department of Natural Resources Hunting Seasons and Regulations

Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Hunting and Fishing Digest

Cooperative Agreement between Fort Benning, Alabama, Georgia and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service

Section II Prescribed forms

FB (DFEL) Form 200-3 Fort Benning Harvest Card (prescribed in para 7-4a)

FB Form 200-3-1 Guest Permit (prescribed in para 7-4c)

Section III Referenced forms

DD Form 1805 U.S. District Court Violation Notice

FB (MPA) Form 66 Fort Benning Temporary Vehicle Permit

FORSCOM/TRADOC Form 563-R Registration of Personal Firearms

FB (SD) Form 18 USAIC Hunter Safety Class Card

Appendix B Hunting Seasons, Bag Limits, and Mandatory Deer Check

- **B-1. Mandatory deer check.** All deer harvested must be brought to the check station on the following dates and locations: a. Georgia. Dates: 18 and 19 October 2003. Location: Building 5883, Harmony Church. b. Alabama. Dates: 22 and 23 November 2003. Location: Uchee Creek Recreation Area.

B-2. Season dates and bag limits.

Table B-1. Season dates and bag limits

GAME	GEORGIA	GEORGIA	ALABAMA	ALABAMA	
	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT	SEASON DATES	BAG LIMIT	
DEER Archery	13 Sep 03 - 10 Oct 03	- 12 season limit	15 Oct 03 - 31 Jan 04	CROSSBOWS	
Either sex	44.0-4.00 47.0-4.00	- At least 10 of 12 must be anterless	40 Nav. 00 04 Nav. 00	PROHBITED	
DEER Primitive Weapon	11 Oct 03 - 17 Oct 03	- 1 of 2 bucks must	19 Nov 03 - 21 Nov 03	Same bags limits as GA except:	
(Iron Sight Muzzleloader		have at least 4 points		2 per day; only one	
& Archery) Either sex		one-inch or longer on		of which may be	
DEER Firearm	18 Oct 03 - 11 Jan 04	one side of antlers	22 Nov 03 - 31Jan 04	antlered	
(Firearms, Muzzleloader	18 Oct 03 - 11 Jan 04		22 1100 03 - 3 13411 04	untiored	
& Archery)		Note 1, table B-2		Note 1, table B-2	
Either-sex		,		,	
FERAL SWINE Archery	No Closed Season		No Closed Season	No Limit	
FERAL SWINE Small	15 Aug 03 - 13 Mar 04	No Limit	N/A		
Game Firearms				CROSSBOWS	
FERAL SWINE Firearms,	18 Oct 03 - 13 Mar 04	Note 2, table B-2	22 Nov 03 - 31 Jan 04	PROHBITED	
Small Game Firearms, &					
Archery				Note 2, table B-2	
TURKEY	20 Mar 04 - 15 May 04	3 gobblers per season	15 Mar 04 - 30 Apr 04	1 per day	
		Note 3, table B-2		3 gobblers per	
				season	
				Note 3, table B-2	
SQUIRREL	15 Aug 03 - 29 Feb 04	12 per day	01 Oct 03 - 29 Feb 04	8 per day	
		12 in possession		8 in possession	
DOVE	06 Sep 03 - 05 Oct 03		06 Sep 03 - 19 Oct 03	15 per day	
(North of U.S. Hwy 280)	27 Nov 03 - 29 Nov 03	12 per day	20 Dec 03 - 04 Jan 04	15 in possession	
D01/5	10 Dec 03 - 15 Jan 04	12 in possession	A1/A	Note 4, table B-2	
DOVE	27 Sep 03 - 26 Oct 03	Note 4, table B-2	N/A	N/A	
(South of U.S. Hwy 280)	27 Nov 03 - 29 Nov 03 10 Dec 03 - 15 Jan 04	Note 4, table b-2			
RABBIT	15 Nov 03 - 29 Feb 04	12 per day	01 Oct 03 - 29 Feb 04	8 per day	
KABBIT	13 1107 03 - 29 1 65 04	12 in possession	01 00: 03 - 29 1 60 04	8 in possession	
		Note 5, Table B-2		Note 5, t.able B-2	
QUAIL	15 Nov 03 - 29 Feb 04	12 per day	15 Nov 03 - 29 Feb 04	12 per day	
40.00		12 in possession		12 in possession	
CROW	02 Nov 03 - 29 Feb 04	No Limit	06 Sep 03 - 29 Feb 04	No Limit	
FOX	01 Dec 03 - 29 Feb 04		22 Nov 03 - 31 Jan 04	1 per day	
			15 Mar 04 - 30 Apr 04	1 in possession	
BOBCAT	01 Dec 03 - 29 Feb 04	No Limit	22 Nov 03 - 31 Jan 04		
			15 Mar 04 - 30 Apr 04	No Limit	
OPOSSUM	15 Oct 03 - 29 Feb 04	Note 6, table B-2	01 Sep 03 - 29 Feb 04		
				Note 6, table C-2	
COYOTE	15 Aug 03 - 13 Mar 04		01 Sep 03 - 29 Feb 04		
	20 Mar 04 - 15 Aug 04		15 Mar 04 - 30 Apr 04		
RACCOON	15 Oct 03 - 29 Feb 04	3 per day	01 Sep 03 - 29 Feb 04	5 per day	
		Note 6, table B-2	0.00	Note 6, table b-2	
WATERFOWL, SNIPE,	Date published separately	Limits published	SNIPE: 14 Nov-28 Feb	SNIPE: 8 day	
	and coincide with GA state	separately and	WATERFOWL dates	WATERFOWL limits published	
	season.	coincide with GA state bag limits.	published separately and coincide with AL	separately and	
		Note 7, table B-2	state season	coincide with AL	
		11010 1, Idole D-2	otate season	limits	
WOODCOCK	20 Dec 03 - 18 Jan 04	3 per day	18 Dec 03 – 31 Jan 04	3 day/3 possession	
BEAR	Closed	N/A	Closed	N/A	
ALLIGATOR	Closed	N/A	Closed	N/A	
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B-3. Explanation of Seasons and Bag Limits.

Table B-2. Explanation of Seasons and Bag Limits.

1. DEER	 The maximum number of deer that may be harvested by any one person by any method on the Fort Benning Reservation (Georgia and Alabama) during the 2003-2004 season is as follows: No more than twelve (12) total deer. At least ten (10) of the twelve (12) deer must be antlerless (does or button buck). No more than two (2) of the twelve (12) may have antlers. Under no condition, shall any person take more than two antlered bucks during the entire season. One of the two antlered bucks must have at least four points (one inch or longer) on one side of the antlers. Does and button bucks can only be harvested on dates when either-sex hunting is authorized. During firearms and archery either-sex seasons in Alabama, two deer maybe harvested per day, only one of which may be an antlered buck. Legal primitive weapons are bows and muzzleloaders with iron sights or non-magnifying fiber-optic sights. Crossbows (scopes allowed) are also legal primitive weapons in Georgia. Legal firearm season weapons are bows, muzzleloaders with or without scopes, .22 cal or larger centerfire rifles and handguns, and 20-gauge or larger shotguns with slugs in accordance with area restrictions on weapons. Buckshot is prohibited for deer and all other game on Fort Benning All bows must have a minimum pull of 45 lbs. Long bows, recurve bows, compound bows, and crossbows are all considered as bows in this regulation. Crossbows are prohibited in Alabama.
2. FERAL SWINE	 There is no bag limit on feral swine in either Georgia or Alabama. Feral swine hunting is allowed year round with all archery equipment (no crossbows in Alabama). During the small game firearms period, feral swine may be harvested with the following: Muzzleloaders with or without scopes except during Deer Primitive Weapon (iron sights only). .22-caliber or smaller rim fire rifle or handgun. Shotguns: In Georgia, shotguns having a shot shell size no greater than 3.5" in length with No.2 or smaller shot. In Alabama, shotguns with No. 4 or smaller shot and in 10 or smaller gauges. During feral swine firearms seasons, feral swine may be harvested with centerfire rifles, muzzleloaders, handguns, shotguns with slugs, or bows in accordance with area weapons restrictions. Feral swine may not be hunted at night or with dogs.
3. TURKEY	- The maximum number of turkeys that may be harvested by any one person on the Fort Benning Reservation (Alabama and Georgia combined) during the 2003-2004 season shall be three (3). - Only gobblers may be harvested in both Georgia and Alabama; hens may not be harvested. - Gobblers can only be harvested with shotguns or smoothbore muzzle loading shotguns with No. 2 or smaller shot (scopes allowed) and any approved archery weapon (crossbow allowed only in GA). - Handguns, rifles, and muzzle loading rifles with ball ammunition may not be used to harvest turkey. - Use of decoys is prohibited in Alabama, but permitted in Georgia.
4. DOVE	 In Georgia, daily shooting hours will be 1200 until sunset on opening day in both zones and 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset for the remainder of the season. Hunting on managed, numbered dove fields during the first split season(s) will be managed on-site by personnel from Conservation Branch, DFEL. During subsequent dove seasons, the fields will be open daily whenever the area is open for hunting. Dove fields open for hunting will be posted on the daily Hunting and Fishing Information Sheets. In Alabama, shooting hours for doves will be 1200 to sunset (afternoon only) on 06 Sep. Doves may be hunted from one-half hour before sunrise to sunset (all day), 07 Sep - 19 Oct and 20 Dec - 04 Jan.
5. RABBIT	- Dogs may be used to hunt rabbit.
6. BOBCAT, FOX, OPOSSUM, COYOTE RACCOON	Georgia: - Bobcat, fox, opossum, coyote and raccoon may be hunted at night. - Only battery powered lights not exceeding 6 volts or fuel type lanterns may be carried by hunters for locating these animals. - These animals may be taken only with small game firearms except coyotes which may be taken with legal deer firearms during the deer season during daylight hours. - Bobcat and fox may be hunted using manual calls. Electronic calls may be used for coyotes. - Dogs may be used to hunt bobcat, fox, raccoon and coyote at night. Alabama: - Fox, opossum, raccoon may be hunted at night. - Fox may be hunted at night with lights and dogs only. - Raccoon and opossum may be hunted at night with dogs, lights, and .22 caliber rim fire firearms or shotguns with No. 6 or smaller shot. - Running dogs during daylight hours or after 0300 hrs during spring turkey season is prohibited. - All bobcat are required to be tagged by an Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources representative within 14 days of harvest. - See state regulations for additional information.
7. WATERFOWL	- Steel shot size BB or smaller is required for all waterfowl hunting. No lead shot may be in a hunter's possession.

Appendix C

Hunter Check-In and -Out Procedures.

C-1. General. All hunters must check-in and -out through Hunter Control year round. The automated TELTRACK Hunter Control (545-8387) is the primary method to check-in and -out of an area. The back-up Hunter Control system is a 24-hour answering machine that will be used if the automated TELTRACK system is inoperative. Only touch-tone or cellular telephones may be used to connect to the automated TELTRACK Hunter Control system. Do not call the Military Police Desk to check-in or -out of an area. In addition to checking-in an area, a hunter must also verify on the daily Hunting and Fishing Information Sheet that the area is in fact open for hunting.

C-2. Check-In and -Out Procedure.

- 1. Determine which areas are open for hunting.
- a. Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Overlay Map. The land on Fort Benning has been divided into a number of designated areas as is depicted on the 1:50,000 scale Fort Benning Hunting and Fishing Overlay Map.
- b. Daily Hunting and Fishing Area Information Sheets. Daily Hunting and fishing Information Sheets are prepared by Range Division, G-3, and list each area that is open for hunting and fishing for up to 3 days in the future. These sheets along with the Overlay Map are posted before 1000 daily at the following locations:
 - (1) Provost Marshal's Office (Building 215).
 - (2) Conservation Branch, Bldg 5884, Harmony Church.
 - (3) Malone Range 21, Buena Vista Road
- (4) Uchee Creek Army Campground/Marina.
- (5) Outdoor Recreation Office, Building 1707.
- (6) Recreation Center, Kelly Hill, Building 9079.
- c. On-line Access. Hunting and Fishing Area Information Sheets are also available on-line at the following website: www.benning.army.mil/EMD/Hunting/AREAS.htm.
- 2. Determine the 4-digit conversion number of the area. The areas on the Hunting and Fishing Overlay Map are depicted as letters and numbers (i.e. Area "A1") and must be converted to 4-digit numbers to use the automated check-in system. table C-1 below provides a listing of two-digit numbers for each letter. To obtain a 4-digit number to check-in or -out of an area, combine with the two-digit number listed in the table with the corresponding letter and number of the hunting area.

Examples: A09 converts to 0109 W4 converts to 2304 A12 converts to 0112 BB1 converts to 2801

Table C-1. 4-Digit Hunter Control Conversion Chart.

Map	<u>Digit</u>	<u>Мар</u>	<u>Digit</u>	<u>Map</u>	<u>Digit</u>	<u> Map</u>	<u>Digit</u>
Α	01	L	12	W	23	Chattahoochee River	0001
В	02	M	13	X	24	Weatherby Field	0002
С	03	N	14	Υ	25	Sand Hill	0003
D	04	0	15	Z	26	Custer Road	0004
E	05	Р	16	AA	27	Sightseeing Road	0005
F	06	Q	17	BB	28	Molner	0006
G	07	R	18	CC	29		
Н	80	S	19	DD	30		
1	09	Т	20	EE	31		
J	10	U	21				
K	11	V	22				

- 3. Access Hunter Control by calling 545-8387 (this is the only Hunter Control telephone number).
- 4. The system will prompt you to:
 - A. Enter your Access Pass Number followed by the pound sign (#).
 - B. Enter the last four (4) digits of your SSN followed by the pound sign (#).
- C. Continue to follow the automated prompts to check-in or -out of an area. You may check into up to two areas. You may check-in for "today" or for "tomorrow," but not for both days at the same time.
- 5. To check-out, follow the same procedures as checking-in. Enter your Access Pass Number, the last four digits of your SSN, and follow the automated prompts to check-out. All individuals must check-out not later than 2200 daily.
- **C-3. Backup Hunter Control Procedure.** If the primary automated Hunter Control system is not working, hunters will be automatically transferred to a backup answering machine. All hunters will then be required to check-in or -out of an area by leaving their name, area, and state whether they are checking-in or -out of the area. <u>Check-in Example</u>: "Bob Knight checking-in to K12 and K13." Check-out example: "Bob Knight checking-out of K12 and K13." In the unlikely event that both the primary and backup hunter control systems fail, then hunters may continue to hunt by verifying that the area is in fact open for hunting by checking the Daily Hunting and Fishing Information Sheet.

Glossary

Section II Abbreviations

. Army Regulation
. Conservation Branch
. CG's Advisory Council on Natural Resources
. Community Recreation Division
. Directorate of Community Activities
. Department of Defense
. Directorate of Facilities, Engineering, and Logistics
. Environmental Management Division
. Fort Benning
. Identification
. Military Police Activity
. Off-road vehicle
. Red-Cockaded woodpecker
. Staff Judge Advocate
. United States Army Infantry Center

Section II Terms

Accompany. To meet this requirement, the sponsor and guest must be properly checked-in through Hunter Control and physically located in the same area.

Baited area. Any place which contains or has contained within the previous ten (10) days feed, grains, salt licks, or other substances capable of luring game.

Big game. Deer and turkey. Feral swine are not classified as big game animals.

Bow. A long bow, recurve bow, compound bow, or a crossbow. Bows must have a minimum pull of 45 lbs. Crossbows are prohibited in Alabama and on the Alabama side of the installation.

Buck. A male deer with antlers (bone) visible above the hair.

Cooperative Agreement. The agreement entered into by Fort Benning, the State of Georgia, the State of Alabama, and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service.

Direct adult supervision. Under the command and control of a person 18 years old or older, with the minor being within sight or hearing distance of such person.

Fish or fishing. To catch, capture, take, or kill fish and all seafood and includes all lesser acts such as attempting to catch, capture, or kill by any devise or method.

Guide hunting. Receiving compensation for assisting an individual in the pursuit and taking of game.

Hunt or hunting. The act of pursuing, shooting, killing, and/or capturing wildlife or using any device in an attempt to take wildlife. Hunting shall include every action of assistance to any person in taking or attempting to take wildlife. Any individual possessing a bow, gun, or gun and dogs in any area where hunting is normally conducted is presumed to be hunting.

Hunting season. That period of time when hunting a specific game bird or animal is permitted under the law.

Illegal possession. Possession of any wildlife or parts thereof, at any time other than during the authorized hunting season for that wildlife

Maintained road. Maintained roads are those roads with a base consisting of pavement, concrete, gravel, or improved dirt that receive regular or periodic maintenance and are wide enough to allow at least two-way vehicular traffic. Roads that are not maintained consist of small roads and trails with a dirt or clay base that receive little or no maintenance and that are only wide enough for one-way vehicular traffic or narrower.

Open area. Training areas that are available for recreational use, subject to fulfillment of an individual's permit, license, and area access pass requirements.

Primary dependent. A lawful spouse or an unmarried child who is less than 21 years old or less than 23 years old if enrolled in a full-time course of education above high school level and receives over half of his/her support from the sponsor.

Size limit. The minimum length allowable for a fish in a person's possession. Fish smaller than this size must be returned to the water unharmed as soon as they are landed.

To Take an animal. To harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct.

Unloaded weapon. A shotgun, centerfire or rimfire rifle, or handgun that does not have any ammunition in the chamber, magazine or cylinder. A muzzleloader weapon that does not have a percussion cap affixed to or resting on the weapon's nipple. An uncocked crossbow with the bolt removed from the platform.

Weapons. Firearms, bows, air or CO2 rifles or pistols, and slingshots are considered to be weapons on Fort Benning.

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